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LETTER DATED 29 JULY 1991 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF IRAQ TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE SECRETARY-GENERAL

On instructions from my Government and with reference to the letter from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Kuwait to the United Nations contained in document A/45/1040-S/22833, I have the honour to inform you that the Kuwaiti violations of the provisions of the cease-fire between the two countries under Security Council resolution 687 (1991) which are mentioned in our letters contained in documents S/22719 and S/22755 were not a mere hypothesis on the part of Iraq but one that was confirmed to us by the United Nations Iraq-Kuwait Observation Mission (UNIKOM) and one that it communicated to the Kuwaiti authorities at the time.

In informing you of this fact, I should like to point out to you that any violation of Iraqi airspace by warplanes coming from Kuwaiti airspace after the entry into force of the cease-fire is regarded as a Kuwaiti breach under the rules of international law whether such aircraft are Kuwaiti or not.

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Abdul Amir A. AL-ANBARI
Ambassador
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